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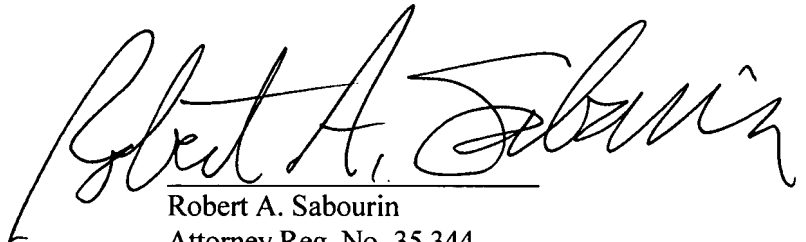
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1. U.S. patent publication no. 2002/0104455 A1 to Deutsch et al. published on August 8, 2002 discloses chemical imaging of a lithographic plate.
2. U.S. Patent no. 4,680,645 granted on July 14, 1987 to Dispoto et al. discloses a method for rendering gray scale images with variable dot sizes.
3. U.S. Patent no. 5,278,671 granted on Jan. 11, 2004 to Takahashi et al. discloses an image processing apparatus with correction of diffusion errors of overlapping dots.
4. European Patent Application no. EP 0702482 A2 to Eschbach, published on March 20, 1996 discloses error diffusion halftoning with homogeneous response in high/low intensity image regions.

5. European Patent Application no. EP 1239662 A1 to Vande Velde, published on Sep. 11, 2002 discloses improved halftoning for printing with multiple inks.
6. "Multi-Level Colour Halftoning Algorithms" by Ostromoukhov et al., from Recent Progress in Digital Halftoning II, March 1999, pages 166-172 discloses various multi-level colour halftoning algorithms.

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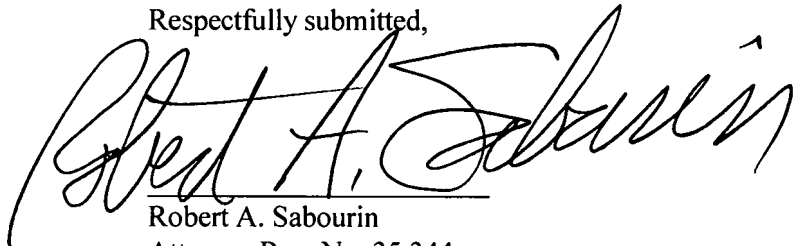
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